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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th June 1860.

No. 69. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th May 1860, No. 2,518 :—

Read the following :—

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 12th May 1860, No. 187 :—

With reference to the Board's Proceedings under date the 19th ultimo, I have the honor to forward copies of two letters received from the Master Attendant at Tuticorin, bearing date the 5th instant, Nos. 34 and 35, from which the Board will observe that the bank which had young Oysters on it in last year, is this year quite deserted in consequence of its being either infested with soorem, or covered with a deposit of sand. But the statement, that soorem found last year are missing this year, seems to be a mistake, as it now appears that there were no soorem last year on the bank referred to.

Submitted for the information of Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings dated 19th April 1860, No. 1,892.

(A True Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1860, No. 938.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

No. 2,518.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 25th May 1860.

Read letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly, dated 12th May 1860, No. 187, forwarding Copies of two letters from the Master Attendant of Tuticorin, and stating that the statement that Soorem found last year on a certain Pearl Bank are missing this year, seems to be a mistake.

(In Con., 18th May 1860, No. 2,309.)

Submitted for the information of Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 19th April 1860, No. 1,892.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To J. D. Bourdillon, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. J. Wright.

№ 34

To
A. Silver Esq.
Collector of Tinnevelly.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 1st Instant, № 322 subjoining Para 4 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 19th Ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that the first Bank alluded to was examined by the Jaditalauen last year from whose conversation, I was under an impression that Scorem existed, this I now think must have been wrong which is likely as its existence was not mentioned in the Report of the examination made to the Asst Collector dated 31st May 1859

Regarding the 3d Bank alluded to and which was supposed to be covered with Oysters from 1½ to 4 years old, but on examination found blank, when this Bank was being examined last Month the Native Divers reported plenty of Sand, I again examined this Bank with one of the European Divers yesterday, who informed me that in many places the sand lay several inches deep on the Rocks, a piece of the Rock was raised up on which I found the Byssus or cable of several Pearl Oysters adhering to it, the Oysters themselves having disappeared, I am therefore of opinion that this Bank has been destroyed by a deposit of

Sand

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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue.

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Submitting for information a
letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly
forwarding Captain Campbell's
report the Master Attendant of
Palamcotta reporting that the Bank
which last year Oysters in
it last year is this year quite
deserted in consequence of its
being infested with Sorem

Rec'd 1st Dec

Sand having formed on it.

Master Attendants Office
Tuticorein 5th May 1860

Shaw & Co
/signd/ G. Shipps
Master Attendant.

No 35

To J. Silver Esq.
Collector of Tinnevelly.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have again examined the Pearl Bank on which young Oysters were discovered in November last with both the European and Native Divers but without any success the young Oysters have quite disappeared, not even an Oyster shell being found, the face of the Bank is covered with Seaweed both dead and alive and I can only account for the disappearance of the young Oysters from this circumstance.

Mar Attendants Office
Tuticorein 5th May 1860

Shaw & Co
/signed/ G. Shipps
Master Attendant

/True Copies/
/Signed/ S. Silver
Collector

/True Copies/

Secretary.

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Enclosure No 1 in Board's
Proceedings to the Secretary
to Govt Rev Dept dated
25th May 1860 No 2518.

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Letter from the Collector
of Tinnevelly to Secretary to the
Board of Revr dated 12th May 1860
No 187. regarding the Road
Banks —

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